

LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO
Sixty-first Legislature First Regular Session - 2011

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1197

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXIDERMISTS AND FUR BUYERS; AMENDING SECTION 36-603, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMERCIAL TANNERIES; AND AMENDING SECTION 36-606, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN RECORD REQUIREMENTS SHALL CONSTITUTE SATISFACTORY RECORD OF LAWFUL ORIGIN AND PROOF OF OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 36-603, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

36-603. RECORDS. (1) The department may require any person licensed under the provisions of this chapter to keep a record for two (2) years last past of wildlife received for mounting or preserving, fur bearers purchased or raw black bear skins, raw cougar skins or parts of black bears or cougars purchased. Records may be written or may be retained on media other than paper, provided that the form or medium complies with the standards set forth in section 9-328, Idaho Code. The record shall be made upon a form provided by the department which sets forth such information as may be required by the director and shall be subject to his inspection at any time. In addition, the department may require licensees to submit forms or records, as determined by the department, to the department relating to the purchase of black bears and cougars, skins, or parts thereof.

(2) Provided however, a commercial tannery receiving wildlife from a licensed taxidermist or fur buyer, shall satisfy all recordkeeping requirements by recording the license numbers of such taxidermist or fur buyer, and recording tag numbers of any attached tags required by law. This provision shall not apply in the event a commercial tannery receives wildlife from a taxidermist or fur buyer from a state other than the state of Idaho, and the taxidermist or fur buyer is not required to be licensed in that state, in which case the tannery shall record the date received, the name, address and telephone number of the individual the wildlife was received from, and tag numbers of any attached tags required by law in the state of origin, the name and number of species received and the approximate date killed. Information so recorded shall be retained for a period of two (2) years.

SECTION 2. That Section 36-606, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

36-606. CONFISCATION OF WILDLIFE -- PROOF OF OWNERSHIP REQUIRED. (1) The director is hereby authorized to seize and confiscate any wildlife or the skins, hides, pelts, horns or antlers or other portions thereof in the possession of any fur buyer or taxidermist, licensed or

1 unlicensed, unless the person having same is able to produce satisfactory
2 record of lawful origin and proof of ownership.

3 (2) Compliance with record requirements as provided in section 36-603,
4 Idaho Code, shall constitute satisfactory record of lawful origin and proof
5 of ownership requirements as provided in subsection (1) of this section.

6 SECTION 3. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
7 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its
8 passage and approval.